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(U) Cameron Park – CHP Officers Seize 220-Pounds of Marijuana, Cash

(U) Officers seized more than 220-pounds of cannabis and \$10,000 in cash during a search in Cameron Park on 21 July, the California Highway Patrol said yesterday. The officers were on patrol on Highway 50 in Cameron Park when they saw a box truck that CHP said violated a traffic law. Officers stopped and searched the truck, and discovered the cannabis and cash, the CHP's Placerville office said. Both the driver and passenger were arrested on charges of unlawful possession of cannabis for sale.

SOURCE: 22 July 2020, [KCRA 3 Sacramento](#)

(U) San Francisco – US Charges Researcher with Lying About Ties to Chinese Military

(U) Federal prosecutors have charged a Chinese cancer researcher at UC Davis, with lying about her ties to the Chinese military and Communist Party when seeking a visa to come to the US. The FBI believes she is evading arrest by staying at China's consulate in San Francisco. Photos accompanying an affidavit for an arrest warrant recently unsealed by a federal judge show the researcher, Tang Juan, in military uniform prior to her move to the United States. Prosecutors allege that Tang, who was issued a visa in November and arrived at San Francisco's international airport on 27 December, answered "no" when asked if she had ever served in the military or been a member of the Communist Party. The affidavit presents evidence that Tang is in fact a member of China's ruling Communist Party and a member of the military.

SOURCE: 23 July 2020, [NBC News](#)

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(U) New York – Community College Target of Ransomware Attack

(U) Buffalo – A spokesperson for Erie Community College confirmed the college was the target of a ransomware cyberattack. The threat came in early yesterday morning. Servers at the college's three campus sites were immediately shut down. Security and the college's IT department are now in the process of assessing how much, if any, damage was done.

SOURCE: 22 July 2020, [WGRZ 2 NBC](#)

(U) New Jersey – FBI Links Suspect in Ambush at Judge's Home to California Attorney Killing

(U) North Brunswick – The FBI has linked the Sunday shooting attack at the New Jersey home of federal judge Esther Salas, which left her 20-year-old son dead and her husband critically wounded, to the murder of an attorney earlier this month in southern California. FBI Newark confirmed yesterday they are working with the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Office and have evidence linking Roy Den Hollander to the fatal shooting of another men's rights attorney, Marc Angelucci. The 52-year-old Angelucci was shot and killed at his Crestline home on 11 July.

SOURCE: 22 July 2020, [CBS News](#)

(U) New York – Gun Traffickers Charged with Selling Firearms to Undercover Officer

(U) Queens – Three alleged gun traffickers from Queens were arraigned on 21 July in connection with an

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illegal gun trafficking ring that saw at least 23 guns shipped from Virginia and sold in Queens, District Attorney Melinda Katz announced yesterday. Jessica Heyliger, 35, Mitchell Myree, 36, and Sharod King, 32, were variously charged with criminal sale of a firearm, criminal possession of a weapon and conspiracy, the DA said. The investigation into the gun trafficking group began in September 2019, when an undercover police officer bought a handgun and two large capacity ammunition feeding devices from King, according to the charges. After the purchase, the NYPD began surveillance on King's cellphone. SOURCE: 22 July 2020, [QNS.com](https://www.qns.com)

(U) Puerto Rico – US Coast Guard Seizes \$38.5 Million in Cocaine in the Caribbean

(U) San Juan – The US Coast Guard cutter Heriberto Hernandez returned to its homeport in San Juan, Puerto Rico yesterday to offload approximately 1,375-kilograms of cocaine with an estimated wholesale value of more than \$38.5 million seized when the cutter came upon a “go-fast” in the Caribbean Sea. On the afternoon of 16 July, the cutter during its patrol came up on the suspected drug smuggling operation. As the cutter Heriberto Hernandez closed-in to interdict the go-fast vessel, the smugglers began to jettison multiple bales of the suspected contraband while fleeing the area at high speed. The crew of the Heriberto Hernandez conducted a thorough sweep of the area where the jettison occurred, and they were able to recover 55 bales which later tested positive for cocaine. SOURCE: 23 July 2020, [The Maritime Executive](https://www.maritime-executive.com)

(U) INTERNATIONAL

(U) Canada – Man Charged with Support to ISIS

(U) Calgary – A Calgary man has been indicted on terrorism charges for allegedly travelling to Syria in 2013 and joining the Islamic State in Iraq and ash-Sham (ISIS), the Royal Canadian Mounted Police said yesterday. The charges allege that Hussein Sobhe Borhot participated in a kidnapping on behalf of ISIS. He was taken into custody in Calgary on Tuesday and faces four counts of terrorism-related charges including participation in the activity of a terrorist group and commission of an offence for a terrorist group. SOURCE: 22 July 2020, [Global News](https://www.globalnews.ca)

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